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In re Application of :
Aita et al. :
Application No. 09/375,169 :
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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(a) filed on 10 January, 2001, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The application became abandoned on 7 October, 2000, for failure to file a timely response to the non-final Office action mailed on 6 July, 2000, which set a three (3)-month shortened statutory period for reply. No extensions of the time for reply in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Notice of Abandonment was mailed on 11 January, 2001.

The application has been restored to pending status.

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center 1700 for further examination.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter may be directed to Petitions Attorney Douglas I. Wood, at (703) 308-6918.

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